

SPECIAL

prices on several lots of Men's and Boys' Shoes—some are broken in sizes, others are lines we shall discontinue—to close them out at once we make these reductions.

68	Pairs Russet and Calf Bais, were \$3.25, \$3.00 and \$2.50—to close.....	\$1.98
17	Pairs Patent Calf Bais, were \$3.50—to close.....	\$2.25
23	Pairs Boys' Calf Bais, were \$2 and \$1.75—to close.....	\$1.25
29	Pairs Youth's Calf Bais, were \$2.25, \$2.00 and \$1.75—to close.....	\$1.25
26	Pairs Youth's Springheel Calf, were \$1.60—to close.....	\$1.00
28	Pairs Youth's Viol Kid, were \$2.25—to close.....	\$1.50
39	Pairs Boys' Calf Bais, odd sizes were \$2.50 and \$2.00—to close.....	\$1.35

Don't forget that the HALF-PRICE and ONE-THIRD OFF sale of MEN'S and BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS closes on Saturday night. Better get in today if you can, the longer you delay the smaller the assortment grows.

ROBINSON, CHERY & CO.,
12th and F Sts.,
CLOTHING,
FURNISHINGS,
HATS, SHOES.

Potatoes 34c BUSHEL.

Today we will sell another thousand bushels best Burbank Potatoes for 34 cents per bushel. One day.

25c Brooms for 10c.

We will sell two thousand large three-string Carpet Brooms for 10 cents each today. One day.

Pork Chops Free.—We will give to each purchaser of \$1.00 worth or over of Groceries from our price list either 3 pounds of Pork Chops or 4 pounds of Best Granulated Sugar FREE.

SPECIALS—2-lb package best Oats, 6c each; Imperial Condensed Cream, 10c can; Golden Dates, 4c lb; 200 dozen Mackerel for 15c dozen.

JOHNSTONS, 729-731 7th St.

THE RINK. THE RINK.

HUNDREDS

Visited the Rink today to take advantage of the SPECIAL SALE now in progress.

Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Lace Curtains, Upholstery Goods and Wall Paper.

Prices Cut Nearly in Half-- In Many Cases Less Than Half!

Our Special Sale of Swiss and Irish Point Lace Curtains

At One-Half Price

has created a furore. Careful buyers are taking advantage of it. 50c saved on every ONE Dollar's worth of Lace Curtains purchased.

Carpet Rugs, Smyrna Rugs, Royal Wilton Rugs, Axminster Rugs, and Oriental Rugs

AT ONE-HALF AND LESS THAN ONE-HALF PRICE!

LANSBURGH'S RINK,
New York Ave., bet. 13th and 14th Sts.

Suit Yourself!

Why take a tailor's word how a suit is going to look, when you can see for yourself? We can fit you to a nicety, and you can judge the appearance of a suit before you buy.

New York Clothing House,
311 Seventh Street Northwest.

NOW FOR A RUSH...

This is the last week of our cost sale of Furniture on Credit. If you are ever going to need Furniture—Buy It Now—while you can get it at prime cost—and on your own terms. We're clearing the way for spring goods—to do it—let us see you to the road.

Parlor Suites, Bedroom Suites, Sideboards, Reception Chairs, Writing Desks, Banquet Chairs, Bookcases, etc.

All going for DOLLARS less than the lowest cash prices anywhere. No notes—no interest—payments arranged to suit YOU—ready or monthly. All carpet made and sold FREE—no charge for waste in measuring figures. Remember, this cost sale will positively close next Saturday night at 6 o'clock.

GROGAN'S
MAMMOTH CREDIT HOUSE,
919-921-923 7th St. N. W.,
Between H and I Sts.

HOUSE & HERRMANN.
"Home Furnishings."
917-919-921-923 Seventh St.—C36 Main Ave.

COL. TRACEY PROTESTS

Objects to the Bill for Establishing a Reformatory.

CALLS IT COSTLY CHANGE

Superintendent of Charities Gives Reasons for Opposing the Measure Introduced by Representative Curtis—Facilities for the Care and Detention of Women Ample.

House bill, 3197, introduced by Mr. Curtis, of New York, providing for the erection in the District of a reformatory and house of detention for women and girls convicted of crimes and misdemeanors, and the safe keeping, care and protection of those awaiting trial and for other purposes, has just been returned to the District Commissioners by Col. John Tracey, superintendent of charities, accompanied by a lengthy report.

Col. Tracey is not favorably impressed with the projected outlay for the purpose embodied in the bill, and says there does not appear to be a necessity for the extensive and costly change.

He says: "This bill calls for a very large expenditure for the establishment and subsequently for the maintenance of an institution to be supported out of revenue set apart for the District, but to be expended without District control and management. Although the establishment is to be used exclusively for inmates from the District, the rules and regulations are to be formulated and enforced solely by United States department authority, two heads of Federal departments, the Secretary of the Interior and the Attorney General, are to select and purchase the sites and supervise the construction of the institution.

The establishment is to be used for females convicted of any crime or misdemeanor by District courts, of all grades of offenders.

HOUSE OF DETENTION, ALSO.

It is also to be utilized as a house of detention for women and girls charged with crimes and misdemeanors in the District. It is to be employed as a reformatory as well as a prison, and would either overshadow or entirely supplant the established reformatory and houses of correction for females, which have been instituted at large expense, and, as a rule, are strictly supervised and economically managed.

The female workhouse of the District for the detention awaiting trial and the confinement after conviction of prisoners arrested before the minor courts, has, according to recent returns to the District authorities, an average of sixty inmates, who are maintained at a per capita cost of only a little more than \$100 per year.

This branch of the Washington Asylum, which has not recently been crowded, or indeed occupied to more than half its capacity, has separate wards for white and colored inmates, the cost of maintenance of the complete medical and surgical service of the hospital of the Washington Asylum.

The reform school for girls of the District has an average of thirty-five colored inmates, its present capacity, maintained at a per capita cost of \$270 per year. An application is pending before Congress for an enlargement of this establishment to a capacity of 125 inmates, at a cost of \$45,000 for construction. This increase has been approved by the District authorities, chiefly because, there being need for such extension, the cost of maintenance of each inmate would thereby be reduced by nearly one-half, as the present staff, with the addition of a few minor employees, would suffice for the management of a large reformatory.

ON GROUNDS OF ECONOMY.

It is respectfully submitted that an increase of the facilities of such an existing institution would be preferable, on grounds of economy and efficient administration, through machinery already established by law for such end, to the inauguration of a new reformatory.

Reformatory and correctional work for girls is also conducted, according to law, by the board of children's guardians, which receives by court commitment only females, as well as males, colored, as well as white, under the age of sixteen years, retaining control of them as wards during minority, and places them in reformatory, asylum or private houses anywhere, paying for their maintenance when not indentured, and for continued supervision during indenture.

Dependents of the reformatory class are also cared for by the board of children's guardians and the House of the Good Shepherd. The Association for Works of Mercy, with an average of twenty-five inmates, has broad powers of custody and control under act of October 11, 1888, a section of which provides as follows for court commitment of female offenders:

"That when any girl under the age of eighteen years shall be duly convicted of any offense punishable by fine or imprisonment for a term less than two years before any court in the District of Columbia, or it shall appear to the satisfaction of the court that such girl is a suitable subject for the custody of said association, the court may, instead of imposing such a fine or imprisonment, and with the assent of said association, cause the custody and control of said association, there to remain until she shall attain the age of eighteen years or be otherwise discharged in due course of law."

The House of the Good Shepherd, with an average of ninety inmates, comes under the act of February 13, 1885, providing for court commitment, with consent of the institution concerned, of vagrant, destitute or abandoned children. Of the inmates of the last-named institution about fifty are actual moral or legal delinquents, the remainder being wayward girls in the "protection class," separately cared for.

ENLARGE PRESENT REFORMATORY.

The enlargement of the Reform School for Girls of the District, if sanctioned by Congress, will increase the accommodation to a capacity of more than 300.

The law of August 6, 1890, establishing the office of superintendent of charities for the District of Columbia, was enacted for the purpose of systematizing and unifying charitable and correctional management and thereby insuring more direct and rigid accountability for and more economical expenditure of District funds. Hence, it is in the line of duty of this office to respectfully protest against a measure tending to scatter responsibility for such expenditure and retard or reverse unification and simplification of administration of charitable and correctional affairs of the District, in which much progress has already been made.

It seems that the bill proposed would revivify existing methods as to females detained in connection with charges for non-criminal offenses or misdemeanors, and all convicted under the recent codification of local offenses embodied in the act of July 29, 1892, for the preservation of the public peace, and the protection of public property in the District.

INSTITUTIONS ALREADY HERE.

The institutions already established have cost for construction and improvement about \$200,000 of public money, and are maintained at a public outlay of about \$300,000 annually. To supplant, or supplement them, as proposed in the within bill, would seem to be unnecessary and extravagant.

There have been referred for report

MEN'S Good-looking. Good-wearing SHOES

Go this week only \$1.15.

Instead of \$1.50, their real value. A shape of the foot and gaiters. Every pair warranted of good, solid, serviceable leather or your money back.

Don't miss our "Mark-down" sale this week.

Wm. Hahn & Co.

RELIABLE SHOE HOUSES.

630-632 7th St. N. W.

1014-1016 Pa. Ave. N. W.

231 Pa. Ave. S. E.

other pending bills for establishing new charitable and reformatory institutions requiring large appropriations. One to institute a home for reputable girls seeking employment, calls for an initial expenditure of \$100,000. The enlargement of the Reform School for Girls will require \$150,000, and a considerable sum will be needed to carry out the project for the foundation of an asylum for incurables, for a minor infectious hospital, and for the development of the Eastern Dispensary, all of which are approved by the local authorities. The enactment of all these propositions would entail an expenditure during the coming year of more than \$400,000 for construction and large sums constantly thereafter for maintenance.

It is respectfully submitted whether, in the present condition of public finances, there is sufficient need for new reformatory and houses to warrant large outlays for them, in addition to those required for the undoubtedly necessary extension of hospital service and the economical increase of the facilities of existing reformatory.

MIXED DISTRICT NOTES.

The District Commissioners yesterday transmitted to Hon. W. G. Grant, chairman of the House Sub-Committee on Appropriations, a report made by Major Charles A. Allen, who is in charge of the Potomac harbor improvement, favorable to the project of converting the small tidal reservoir on the Potomac flats into a municipal bathing pool.

The report was forwarded to the Commissioners by Hon. Daniel S. Lamont, Secretary of War, and has the favorable endorsement of Gen. Craig, Chief of Engineers.

A draft of a bill to carry into effect the suggestion made was submitted with the report. The bill was prepared by Supt. Stephens, who has charge of the bathing beach.

The Commissioners passed an order yesterday confirming the appointment of Mrs. Mary Stadler as matron of the girls' Reform School, vice Mary L. Squires, resigned.

Charles D. Horan and James C. Jones have been appointed additional privates on the police force for duty at the Northern Liberty Market.

The Commissioners have promised to do all in their power to secure an increase in the police force. They announced that determination in a letter addressed yesterday to the secretary of the Rightwood Citizens' Association.

SAY THE WILL IS A FRAUD.

Contest Began Over the Estate of Pamela Granger.

A contest of the will of the late Pamela Granger was begun yesterday. A caveat was filed by Thomas W. Milburn and Ada V. Klinedinst of Dallas, Tex. The paper came by mail from Dallas.

The contestants claim as the only child of the testator, and that the other beneficiaries under the will, James H. Granger and Elizabeth Granger, the surviving husband and granddaughter, have conspired to defraud them.

They assert that the will, dated September 3 last, and filed for probate October 20, was procured by improper means, and that the true will is in the hands of Mr. Granger, who is withholding it from probate.

ROCK CREEK RAILWAY.

President Dunlop Sends His Annual Report to Congress.

G. T. Dunlop yesterday transmitted to the House the report of the Rock Creek Railway Company from January 1 to September 21, 1895.

The total receipts amounted to \$631,576, of which the passenger earnings were \$35,403, the freight earnings \$237, and the mail car service \$146.

The disbursements equal the expenditures. The Rock Creek Road having on September 21, purchased the Washington and Georgetown line, and changed its name to the Capital Traction Company.

On Charge of Embezzlement.

Charles Green was arrested last night by Detective Boxman at the suggestion of Detectives Carter and Gallagher, on a charge of embezzling \$10 from Dr. Leon. Dr. Leon was taken ill and sent Green for Dr. McWilliams. After the visit Leon placed the money on the table for Dr. McWilliams, who refused it. Leon consented Green with the money to Dr. McWilliams and the embezzlement followed. Green was locked up at police station No. 6.

Mr. Wagonmaker Sails Today.

Philadelphia, Jan. 27.—Ex-Postmaster General Wagonmaker will sail from New York tomorrow on the steamer Furst-Bismarck for Genoa, Italy, where he will join Mrs. Wagonmaker and their daughter and will proceed to Palestine, where they will make a brief stay. They will return to this country before the first of April.

Brought Here for Burial.

The remains of William F. Bailey, formerly a heroic driver here, were brought to this city yesterday and interred in Congressional Cemetery. Bailey was killed on a railroad in Philadelphia a few days ago, and the heroic drivers and other friends here defrayed by subscription the expenses of the funeral.

World's Fair Medals Here.

The World's Fair medals, 23,857 in number, were received at the Treasury Department yesterday. The medals will be held here until the commission meets and adopts measures for their proper distribution.

The Washington Sanatorium.

The Washington Sanatorium, 720 Fourteenth street, corner New York avenue, has jumped into prominence more rapidly than any other of its kind in the world, due, of course, to its reputation of the people back of it. Dr. Hutchinson of Hammond Sanatorium fame, is, as is well known, the physician-in-chief, and the honorary board of directors includes some of our best known Congressmen, lawyers and doctors. A pamphlet will be sent on application, and of the various forms of nervous and skin diseases treated, also of its special feature, the "Water Cure" treatment.

MUNYON'S Remedies Cure

Munyon's Rheumatism Cure seldom fails to relieve in one to three hours, and cures in a few days. Price, 25c.

Munyon's Dyspepsia Cure is guaranteed to cure all forms of indigestion and stomach troubles. Price, 25c.

Munyon's Kidney Cure speedily cures pains in the back, loins or groins, and all forms of kidney disease. Price, 25c.

Munyon's Blood Cure eradicates all impurities of the blood. Price, 25c.

Munyon's Cold Cure prevents pneumonia and breaks up a cold in a few hours. Price, 25c.

Munyon's Cough Cure stops coughs, night sweats, allay's soreness, and speedsily heals the lungs. Price, 25c.

Munyon's Eye Ointment positively cures all forms of eye disease. Price, 25c.

Munyon's Vaginal Restorer test powers to weak men. Price, \$1.

Munyon's Remedies at all Druggists, mostly 25 cents a vial.

If you are suffering from Catarrh, Bronchitis, Asthma, or any throat or lung trouble, blood or nervous diseases, kidney and bladder troubles and female complaints, call and consult this specialist. Examination and consultation free. Open daily 9 to 5; Monday and Thursday evenings, 6 to 8, and Sundays, 10 to 12.

713 14th Street Northwest.

COMING POULTRY SHOW.

National Association Making Preparations for It Here.

A special meeting of the National Poultry Association was held last evening at the association's rooms, No. 712 Twelfth street northwest.

A full attendance of members and a large amount of routine business was transacted, besides completing preparations for the show, to be held at the Central Market Hall from February 14 to 18. Communications were read from exhibitors from all parts of the country.

Notices of large entries of fine birds are coming in rapidly, and the show bids fair to be one of the largest and best ever given in the country. In one of the rooms adjacent to the hall are now in operation a number of incubators, starting the hatching of 3,600 eggs to bring out the little chicks during the show.

A show of cats was added to the list, and table will be seen on dress parade in varieties and numbers innumerable. Arrangements have been made to establish headquarters at the National Hotel.

BUNCE'S MYSTERIOUS FLEET.

Mr. Herbert Refused to Tell About the Montgomery and Raleigh.

Secretary Herbert absolutely refused yesterday to say anything about the destination of the cruisers Montgomery and Raleigh, which are reported to have left Admiral Bance's squadron at Hampton Roads at midnight and gone out to sea.

The two cruisers are not very formidable and it is asserted that they have probably gone out with hostile intentions toward nothing more than a target of two. That the vessels at midnight means in all likelihood that they intend to begin target practice outside the Virginia Capes by daylight.

On the other hand, their destination may have connection with alleged Cuban filibustering movements. The clock-mystery is thrown round everything connected with Admiral Bance's so-called squadron of evolution.

NEGRO COLONIZATION SCHEME.

President Urges Congress to Reimburse Railway Companies.

The President has sent to the House all the correspondence of record relating to the failure of the scheme to colonize a number of American negroes in Mexico about one year ago.

The correspondence shows that in the absence of any fund available to transport them to their homes in Alabama, assistance was given by the United States consul at Piedras Negras to certain railway companies that Congress would be urged to appropriate the money if the companies would furnish the transportation.

This the railways did, the amount due for the service rendered being \$5,087. The President urges Congress to appropriate this sum in order that the companies may be properly reimbursed for their trouble.

BRIDGE WORKERS MEET.

They Received New Members and Dismissed Current Business.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers' Assembly, No. 1324, K. of L., met last evening in the rooms of the Library Association, No. 214 Eighth street, Master Workman M. W. Bowen in the chair.

A delegate from Gambrinus Assembly was present and spoke in behalf of the locked-out brewery employees. The assembly appropriated \$5 for the benefit of unemployed brewers.

One new member was initiated and several applications for membership were received.

Wagonmakers' Assembly.

Carriage and Wagonmakers' Assembly, No. 3456, K. of L., met last evening at Hume's Hall, No. 314 Eighth street northwest. The meeting was addressed by Messrs. Michael Cuff and Sam De Neely of District Assembly 66. The assembly appropriated \$10 for the benefit of the locked-out brewers.

Thrown From His Wagon.

Matt Metz, thirteen years of age, driver for C. C. Westmore's grocery store, Seventh and Pomeroy streets, northwest, was thrown from his seat in a runaway accident near Seventh and Irwin streets northwest, about 9 o'clock yesterday morning. The boy landed on his face, cutting it badly.

For Nauck and Brooks.

A well attended meeting of Republicans was held last evening at corner of Tenth and R streets northwest in the interests of Nauck and Walter H. Brooks for delegates to the convention. Spirited addresses were made and resolutions endorsing their candidacy adopted.

New Veteran Corps.

A meeting of the temporary Washington Light Infantry Veteran Association will be held next Monday evening at the Light Infantry Armory. There will be a sufficient number of veterans present a permanent organization will be formed.

Coal Shipments From Pittsburgh.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 27.—The rivers were comparatively clear of heavy ice this morning and during the day twenty-four steamboats, with tons of coal, left for Southern ports. About four and a half million bushels of coal comprised the shipment. There is about ten and a half feet of water in the channel.

SECOND DISTRICT DAY

Graduate Medical School Bill Passed the House.

NEW EPISCOPAL DIOCESE

Act of Incorporation Was Promptly Disposed of and the Graduate School Measure Aroused No Opposition. Washington Homeopathic Medical College Bill—Other Measures.

It was 4:35 o'clock yesterday afternoon before the long-brained out discussion in the House on the Armenian question was terminated, and Chairman Babcock obtained the floor for the second District day of this session.

The first measure taken up was Senate bill 650, which is identical with House bill 2007, and proposed to incorporate the post-graduate school of medicine of the District.

Mr. Odell, who prepared the report of the committee, briefly explained its provisions. He said almost every other city of importance had such an institution.

Some objection was raised to authority being given to confer degrees, but this point was not pressed, and the bill passed without amendment. It now goes to the President for his signature, and is as follows:

That Henry L. E. Johnson, Edmund L. Thompson, J. Foster Scott, William W. Johnson, Samuel C. Busey, Charles W. Richardson, James Kerr, Middleton F. Cutbert, Edward M. Parker, G. Wythe Cook, G. Byrd Harrison, Samuel S. Adams, George N. Acker, W. Holland Wilmer, Henry D. Fry, J. Ford Thompson and Thomas E. McArde, their associates and successors, physicians, be, and they are hereby, made a corporation by the name of the Post-graduate School of Medicine of the District of Columbia, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, liabilities and restrictions set forth in this act.

This was the only bill called up by Chairman Babcock and the remainder of the District calendar went over until the next regular day set apart for its consideration.

EPISCOPAL CORPORATION.

Mr. Coffin has introduced in the House a bill to incorporate the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Washington.

The preamble recites the action of the primary convention held in this city December 4 last, over which Rev. John H. Elliott presided, the appointment of a committee to secure the necessary legislation and the desire of the diocese of Maryland to transfer certain funds to the newly erected diocese of Washington whenever it shall be legally authorized to receive the same.

The bill authorizes Rev. John H. Elliott, Rev. Arthur S. Johns and their associate members of the primary convention to become incorporated under the following bill:

"The convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the diocese of Washington."

The usual powers are given the corporation, and it is made essential that the act shall be accepted by resolution of the convention of Washington diocese at its next annual meeting and a copy of such resolution of acceptance, certified by the secretary of said convention, be filed with the Recorder of Deeds of the District for record within sixty days thereafter.

COURT CLERK'S SALARY.

Mr. Henderson has introduced in the House a bill providing that the clerk of the court of appeals of the District shall receive an annual salary of \$1,600, payable monthly.

It is proposed to repeal that section of the creative act which provides that the reporter of said court shall serve without compensation.

Mr. Babcock has, by request, introduced in the House a bill to incorporate the Washington Homeopathic Medical College. The following are named as incorporators: Zalmnon Richards, Charles T. Yoder, Oscar C. Hutton, William W. Wright, Stephen T. Goff, John C. Parker, George L. Lindsay, Frank H. Williams, G. Howard Kenward, Robert E. Johnston, James T. Hensley and Richard Foster.

The object of the bill is understood to be to enable a reorganization of the existing National Homeopathic College to be effected.

SHE WILL BE WATCHED.

Letter From Libby Roche of Norfolk Given to the Police.

A few days ago Inspector Hollinger received a complaint from a young lady in Washington, accompanied by a letter she had received from Norfolk, signed by "L. Roche."

The letter stated that the writer was interested in the young lady and desired to see her in a better place. It wound up by saying that the young lady should go to Norfolk, and asked that a letter be addressed to L. Roche, box 515.

Inspector Hollinger wrote to the chief of police, William H. King, of Norfolk, informing him of the facts, and saying that it looked like the work of a procuress. He received an answer yesterday afternoon from Norfolk, saying that box 515 was rented by Libby Roche, the proprietress of a house and a rather disreputable character. He said that in the future the woman would be strictly watched.

NO TARIFF BILL YET.

Senate Finance Committee Not Able to Report It.

It is thought that the Senate Committee on Finance, which meets today, will be unable to report the tariff bill to the Senate.

Mr. Jones of Nevada has steadfastly refused to give any intimation whether or not